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AGRICULTURAL AND CUTTING MACHINERY PRODUCTION IMPROVES

CHARKOV PLANT TO PRODUCE MOWING MACHINE -- Sovetskaya Litva, No 202, 16 Aug 1950

The "Serp 1 molot" Plant in Kharkov is preparing for the manufacture of 300 self-propelled EE-10 mowing machines during the fourth quarter. This mowing machine consists of a self-propelled maneuverable chassis mounted on rubber tires and is equipped with a 30-horsepower motor. It has five staggered cutting apparatus and cuts a 10-meter swath. The three operating speeds of the mowing machine are 3.12 kilometers per hour, 4.9 kilometers per hour, and 6.55 kilometers per hour, and the nonworking speed is 17.5 kilometers per hour. The machine can work over 30-50 hectares in an 8-hour workday. One man can operate the machine.

Pravda Ukrainy, No 193, 17 Aug 49

The Kharkov "Serp i molot" Plant has begun the production of the new KB-10 self-propelled hay mower. This hay mower is powered by the GAZ automobile engine.

KAZAKHSTAN EXPANDS THRESHING FLOOR MANUFACTURE -- Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, No 156.
12 Aug 49

The Council of Ministers Kazakh SSR has approved the action of the Alma-Ata Railroad Car Repair Plant, which was the first in the Republic to undertake the manufacture of dismantlable covered threshing floors for kolkhozes in forestless regions. The Council has directed the oblast executive committees of East Kazakhstan, Severo-Kazakhstan, Pavlodar, Vostochno-Kazakhstan, Semipalatinsk, Akkolinsk, Kokchetav, and Karaganda oblasts to reorganize the production of these floors in their industrial enterprises. Waste metals and construction materials will be used. The Ministry of Agriculture Kazakh SSR has been directed to send the designs and plans for the floors to all oblast agricultural administrations.

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NEW COTTON-PICKING MACHINE -- Gudok, No 114, 23 Sep 49

The Tashkent Agricultural-Machine Building Plant is producing the SKM-48 cotton-picking machine. Twenty kolkhozes of Uzbek SSR have already received more than 100 of the machines.

MODERN SPRINKLING INSTALLATIONS PRODUCED -- Izvestiya, No 194, 18 Aug 49

The Plant imeni Sverdlov in Dzerzhinsk has begun production of a new type of sprinkling installations for kolkhozes of Central Asia. The new installation is mounted on a tractor and can sprinkle an area of 30 hectares per shift.

POOR SUPPLY HINDERS THRESHER OUTPUT -- Izvestiya, No 189, 12 Aug 49

This year the Gomel' Agricultural-Machine Building Plant began production of the MK-1100 complex threshing machine. In the first quarter the plant exceeded the plan for their manufacture, but the Ministry of Agricultural Machine Building raised the assignment for the second quarter and failed to allocate to the enterprise funds to buy materials for the additional production. The plant failed to complete the second-quarter assignment. The same thing is being repeated in the third quarter. The assignment has been raised, and no provision has been made to supply the plant with additional materials. The plant has difficulty in getting even those materials for which it has funds. In July it failed to receive metal from Magnitogorsk. Lumber is hard to produce and is delivered irregularly from Leningrad Oblast and Karelo-Finnish SSR.

Meanwhile, Smolensk, Bryansk, Tver, and Orel are clamoring for their threshing machines. The Ministry of Agricultural Machine Building is well informed on the situation in the Gomel' plant. However, nothing is being done.

ELEKTROSTAL' FAILS TO PRODUCE PLOWS -- Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 186, 9 Aug 49

In May, enterprises in the city of Elektrostal' pledge to produce in 1949 2,000 tractor-drawn, five-bottom, shallow plows for Moscow region kolkhozes. Three months have passed, but the Elektrostal' plants have not kept their word. The "Elektrostal'", Novo-Krasnorsk, and Mechanized plants, the "Elektrostal'stoy" Trust, local traders and PZO schools, and others were all assigned tasks in carrying out this pledge, but as yet these have not been fulfilled.

NEW PIPE-CUTTING MACHINE -- Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 190, 13 Aug 49

The Moscow Plant imeni Kalinin has produced a new pipe-cutting machine, designated S-246, which cuts pipe with the aid of special cutters. The machine's productivity is significantly higher than that of existing models. Operation of the machine does not require special installation.

BRICK CUTTING MACHINE DEVELOPED -- Promyshlennost' Stroitel'nykh Materialov, No 33, 12 Aug 49

The "Krasnyy Oktiabr'" Plant of Ministry of Construction- and Road-Machine Building has developed and tested the first ten rotary automatic RA-1 cutting machines. The new machine, attached to a vacuum press, can cut 14 sun-dried clay bricks simultaneously and has an hourly capacity of 7,500 pieces. The machine can be adapted to produce regular, hollow, and lining brick, and also building blocks, blocks for roofing, etc. The plant will begin serial production of the machines for the brick and ceramics industries in the near future.

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NEW STONE CUTTING COMBINE -- Pravda, No 227, 15 Aug 49

In the stone quarries near Odessa a new machine is being used to cut large blocks, each the size of several bricks, out of shell rock. The machine is operated by one man, who regulates the speed, engages the saws, and watches the transporter. The machine covers 6 meters per minute and can process 16 cubic meters of rock per hour.

Series production of the stone-cutting combine has begun. The machine is designed for open quarries. Work is being done on the complete mechanization of all underground stone block cutting.

MACHINE-BUILDING PLANT AWARDED RED BANNER -- Zarya Vostoka, No 162, 18 Aug 49

The Transferable Red Banner of the All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions and the Ministry of Coal Industry USSR, together with a prize of 100,000 rubles, was awarded to the "Gornyak" Machine-Building Plant in Kntaisi for its work during the second quarter of 1949.

Mining enterprises have received a considerable amount of electric mine locomotives, conveyers, and metal structures above plan from the "Gornyak" Plant. By accelerating the turnover of working capital by 27 days, the plant released over 2 million rubles to the state. Out of this amount, 800,000 rubles have already been transferred to the Ministry of Coal Industry.

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